City of Lauderhill



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NEWS RELEASE - COVID-19 (Coronavirus) #9 City of Lauderhill Staff and Commission Discuss COVID-19

Lauderhill, FL - March 23, 2020 – 4:00 PM – The City of Lauderhill held a limited agenda Special Commission Meeting today with Emergency Operations Officials. The Interim City Manager and Fire Chief briefed the Mayor and Commissioners on several aspects of how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected businesses, residents, and the general operations in the City of Lauderhill.

Included in the discussions, were the new <u>Broward County Administrator's Emergency Order #20-01</u> and how it imposes closures of nonessential businesses and services in Broward – including the City of Lauderhill. Please read the <u>Emergency Order</u> in its entirety for a complete list of what has been deemed as an essential business or service. Second, the Director of Information Systems informed the Commission that future Commission meetings can be hosted virtually and will have the capability of public participation. Future City Clerk meeting notifications will include the details and directions on how to access the meetings. The information will also be available on the City website.

The following additional information and resources for residents and businesses were also shared.

- Mortgage companies are allowing borrowers some leniency. Call your lender to see what is available to you.
- Utilities are suspending disconnections for some services like the internet from Comcast, FPL, and the Water Division here at the City of Lauderhill. Check with your providers to see terms and conditions. You can pay your water bill by mail, by phone at 1-866-223-6175, or online. For more information, go to lauderhill-fl.gov/payments.
- Some banks and credit card lenders are providing extended payments and early withdrawals. Contact your lenders for additional information.
- Unemployment Insurance is available for those laid off at <u>floridajobs.gov</u>.
- The IRS has extended the filing deadline to July 15. For more information, please visit the IRS Coronavirus webpage.
- Florida Emergency Bridge Loans are available at floridadisasterloan.org or call 866-737-7232.
- Small Business Administration is offering loans at sba.gov.
- For those who are in need of food, contact farmshare.org/agencies and feedingsouthflorida.org.
- For seniors over 60 in need of food or other resources, please call the <u>Aging & Disability Resource</u> Center of Broward at 954-745-9779.

NOTE: Public Safety Officials ask that you keep in mind children and families are outside enjoying the outdoors. If you must be on the road, please slow it down when you are driving through neighborhoods.

For City related questions, call 954-739-0100 and leave us message. Staff will call you back. You can also email us at lauderhill-fl.gov/contactus. All City-related COVID-19 info is available at lauderhill-fl.gov/covID19.

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